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Out on the town . . . At left, Jennifer Forbes-Baily and Walt Calinger pose with three ILUNO students and their new citizenship certificates. Right, Sami Al-Dossary gets instructions from an Omaha firefighter on the proper use of the gas mask.

## ILUNO does Omaha

# Language students made honorary citizens

By DAN PRESCHER

Cameras clicked and hands were shaken last Thursday as 26 students from UNO's Intensive Language Program (ILUNO) received honorary United States citizenships from Omaha City Councilman Walt Calinger.

Calinger met with the students during a field trip led by Jennifer Forbes-Baily, ILUNO program advisor. The Intensive Language Program offers foreign students a crash course in English.

The students, from countries as widely separated as Peru and the People's Republic of China, listened to a brief presentation by Calinger in a legislative chamber at the Omaha-Douglas County Civic Center.

Calinger said having representatives from all parts of society was important, but said that it was "particularly important in government to have educated people willing to give time to government."

He said he had taught calculus and statistics at UNO between 1970 and 1974, had a Ph.D. from Ohio State, a law degree from Creighton University and was a certified school superintendent.

### 'Interesting campaign'

"I'm running for re-election," he told the students. "I'm in the midst of an interesting campaign. The mayor made me the centerpiece of his news conference last week."

Calinger said Omaha Mayor Mike Boyle made remarks about Calinger's performance on the City Council that were later retracted.

"I'm sure that in your countries no politician

attacks another, and that, if they do, they do so on a factual basis," he said, causing laughter from several of the students.

"I've referred to the mayor's fight with me . . . I'm not fighting with him. In this country, the mayor can differ with me, but he has no right to do anything to me. Differences are important. We try to understand the differences and make allowances. There is strength in diversity."

Saying that he needed campaign contributions, Calinger told the students he wanted to identify those with the most money.

### Contributions

"After the presentation, I'll stand by the door with a little cup. We won't even worry about the exchange rate," he said.

Calinger then presented the honorary citizenships with the help of Forbes-Baily. When he got to the first Saudi Arabian student, Ibrahim Al-Ansari, Calinger laughed and said, "Stick around and we'll talk (contributions) later."

After the presentations, Calinger offered to have his picture taken with any of the students who wanted to, and many of them took advantage. "If you get any good ones, let me know," Calinger said. "I can use them in my campaign."

The field trip also included a stop at the District #1 station of the Omaha Fire Department. At the beginning of the tour, the group was advised to go quickly to the back of the station garage if a call was received. They were able to use the advice about halfway through the

tour when the station received a call from the St. Joseph Mental Health Clinic on Tenth Street.

### 'Didn't say goodbye'

It took less than 30 seconds for firemen to suit up and board one of the trucks, which then roared out of the garage with siren blaring and lights flashing. When the truck was gone, the group noticed that one of their tour guides had gone with it.

"So fast," said one student. "They didn't even say goodbye."

Later, Adel Al-Marhon from Saudi Arabia said that in his country, people in a neighborhood will battle a fire and try to put it out before calling the fire department. Then, he said, when the department arrives "they ask you what you're doing there."

The students also stopped for lunch at the American GI Forum at 20th and N Streets. Several of the students from Columbia and the Dominican Republic chatted in Spanish with the proprietor, Netti Escamilla, and sang along with Mexican tunes on the jukebox.

Escamilla introduced the students to Sherm Doska, membership chairman for one of the Omaha GI Forum chapters.

### Hispanic rights

Doska explained that the Forum was formed in response to the denial of burial rights in Texas for a Hispanic veteran killed in the Philippines in 1948.

Organized by Hector Garcia, the Forum placed a strong emphasis on education and Hispanic civil rights, said Doska. He said this was

especially important, since Hispanics represented "the largest group of medal-of-honor recipients in the country."

After the field trip, Forbes-Baily said the tours did more than introduce foreign students to American life.

"It also gives them a little limelight," said Forbes-Baily. "Sometimes the students feel neglected, since this (intensive language) is a non-credit course."

She also said that it was important to show the students that the occasional discrimination they encounter is not widespread.

Forbes-Baily said she once had an apartment picked out for a student until the landlady found out the student was Saudi Arabian. "She said she would never rent to another foreign student," Forbes-Baily said.

### 'Surface differences'

Forbes-Baily explained that the landlady had rented to several Saudi Arabian students and found the apartment a mess when they moved out. But, said Forbes-Baily, many male students from the Middle East have simply never had to cook or clean before because housekeeping is not considered a male skill in their cultures.

Forbes-Baily also said Asian students have had difficulty renting because of the characteristic smells of their cooking.

When asked if the students had learned anything about politics from their tour, Forbes-Baily said one of her students told her "It's the same everywhere. There are differences, but they're surface differences only. All politicians are the same."

# Use of lie detector questioned in dismissal of janitors

Sam Walker, professor of criminal justice, recently questioned the use of lie detector tests to discipline several UNO night custodians in a series of memos to Chancellor Del Weber.

The incident, in which the janitors were allegedly involved in gambling and drug abuse, was first reported in the Omaha World-Herald on Dec. 21. A subsequent article based on the World-Herald report appeared in the Jan. 16 Gateway.

In the memos to Weber, Walker raised questions about the reports and inquired about Campus Security's use of lie detector tests during its investigation.

According to Nebraska statutes, one of the provisions under which an employer is allowed to give such tests to employees is that the latter be notified that the exam is voluntary. The newspaper accounts suggested this was not the case, according to Walker.

In his reply, Weber stated the tests were given "in compliance with Nebraska Statutes," and that they were used as an "in-

vestigative tool" only, not as a determination of guilt or innocence.

A subsequent memo from Walker again asked whether the employees took the test voluntarily. When contacted by phone, Walker said he had received no further word from the chancellor's office, and that he did not know how the situation now stands.

Walker said that if the polygraph test was not taken voluntarily, "the University was wrong . . . it committed a crime, a misdemeanor," in which case, according to Walker, the fired employee is "entitled to have his job back."

If the test was given on a voluntary basis, Walker said, then the papers were wrong in "reporting the allegations without checking them out."

Louis Cartier, director of University Relations, was also contacted by phone regarding the matter. He said, "Our position is that the University did not violate the law."

When asked about Walker's inquiry, Cartier said the chancellor "feels he answered that question." Cartier said the University's position is that the "matter is settled."

Cartier said he was not free to comment on individual matters, nor was he free to give out any names, because, according to University policy, individual employees deserve privacy.

He said some employees involved in the incident had chosen to appeal the process through the University's formal internal grievance procedure. Cartier said that review process had been completed and that, as a result, seven employees had been terminated, five had been issued warnings and one had been demoted.

Cartier said no formal criminal charges had been brought against any of the employees.

The Gateway was unable to reach Weber for comment as of Sunday.



# Student Senate rejects motion to remove speaker

By PATRICK C. STEPHENSON

A motion which would have removed Pete Adler from his position as Student Senate speaker was voted down, 5-to-14, during the Senate's March 21 meeting.

The proposal, which was offered one week earlier by Sen. Mark Aschenbrenner, climaxed several months of bickering and unrest within the Senate. Aschenbrenner, who had previously served as speaker, motioned to remove Adler after events at the March 14 meeting led to a senatorial shouting match.

Despite recent disputes among Senate members, the March 21 meeting was relatively free of altercations. Earlier in the evening, Adler even tossed his gavel on the floor, inviting the Senate to engage in a period of open discussion.

Speaking on his own behalf, Adler admitted he is "tyrannical at times," but he refused to take the entire blame for existing conflicts. "I am partially responsible for problems within the Senate, but so are many other members," he said. "I will work very hard with the senators who come to me and express an interest in changing things."

Despite Adler's apparent willingness to work with the Senate, several members continued to ask for the speaker's removal. "If we remove Pete and get a new speaker, it will be the start of solving our problems," said Sen. Tracy Wernsman. "We need an organizational leader — someone who will respect people and get respect."

Sen. Al Fortezzo expressed similar opinions, saying, "Pete has done a wonderful job behind the scenes. On the Senate floor, however, I'm not too happy with him."

Fortezzo's comments received harsh criticism from Sen. John Spethman. "If we're using the precedent that the speaker be removed on the basis of his merits on the floor, then there ought to be some senators removed on that same precedent," he said.

According to Sen. Pegen Reilly, the Senate was attempting to make Adler a "scapegoat" for its recent turmoil. "I think that a lot of people do have problems with this speaker, but I think that the problem goes a lot deeper than just a personality conflict," she said. "I don't think you can pin it all on one person."

The Senate continued to debate the issue for nearly one hour before voting by secret ballot. Following the decision to retain

Adler, the Senate voted unanimously to give the speaker a vote of confidence.

In other action, the senate voted to grant the Council for Community and Legislative Relations (CCLR) \$296.13 to continue operations through this fiscal year. CCLR director Brad Kaciewicz, who appeared before the Senate one week earlier, said the organization had depleted all but \$50 of its current fiscal (July 1-June 30) budget.

The \$296.13 allocation will be derived from the 1984-85 fiscal-year contingency budget. CCLR had originally requested a \$4,419.90 advance on its 1985-86 fiscal-year budget. The organization will have to submit a revised budget request later this year.

Several senators expressed concern that CCLR had not been sufficiently funded. "This Senate gives money to things that I feel are pretty questionable," said Sen. Jim Weisbecker. "But here we have something that really has a chance to do some good for the University and we mutilate it."

The Senate also voted to grant \$2,084 to the Competitive Speech Student Organization (CSSO) to send members to the American Forensic Association tournament, April 12-14. Six CSSO members qualified for the national competition, which is held at Towson State College in Baltimore.

CSSO had originally requested an additional \$2456 to send 10 members to the National Forensic Association tournament at Marshall University in Huntington, W. Va. Sen. Jerald Hohn-dorf suggested funds for the second tournament be dropped when it appeared the entire request would not be approved.

CSSO secretary/treasurer Brian Howell told the Senate that attending national tournaments is essential to the survival of the UNO speech program. "If we can not even attend the national tournament we will be faced with the prospect of not being able to get any more recruits to our team," he said. "How can you expect anyone to come to a forensics program when they can't even go to the national tournament?"

Howell said UNO has "made its presence felt" in the world of collegiate speech competition. Howell said prestigious forensics teams such as Bradley University's are currently lobbying in local high schools to take potential speech students away from UNO.

Several senators suggested that the forensics team seek financial assistance from outside the university. According to Howell, regulations require CSSO to ask the Senate for funds before soliciting private donations. In an attached amendment, the Senate voted to no longer bear the responsibility of approving funds to CSSO.

In other action, the Senate was addressed by acting financial aid director Betty Jo Hawkins, who spoke on the Reagan administration's proposed reduction in federal aid to students. She said approximately 25 percent of UNO's student population could be affected should the cuts receive congressional approval.

According to Hawkins, the loss of financial aid will most affect the non-traditional student. She said that many students — especially those who receive Pell Grants and Guaranteed Student Loans — could lose their financial assistance as early as this fall.

"We feel like something is going to happen. There is going to be a compromise and there will be some cuts," said Hawkins. "We're trying to impress upon students that if they want to write to their senator, they should do that."

Lois Deily, co-coordinator of the UNO Ambassador Program, also addressed the Senate. Deily said the Ambassador Program is currently looking for 12 individuals to represent UNO at various University functions. Ambassadors are chosen on the basis of academic excellence, superior communication skills and a strong interest in service to the University.

"The Ambassador Program is really good in that you get to meet a lot of other students, you get to meet a lot of people from the University, and you get to meet a lot of community leaders," said Deily. "This is something which offers you a lot of experience and also looks very good on a resume."

The Ambassador Program is open to any full-time student who has completed 27 credit hours and has at least a 2.5 GPA. Students who are selected as ambassadors will receive a \$100 scholarship. Deadline for application is Friday. Applicants should plan on attending UNO through next spring.

In other action, the Senate approved a request from the Arnold Air Society to hold a charity bake sale for Tuberculosis. The sale will be held today in the Student Center from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

## News Briefs

## Buckle up, and that's an order

University of Nebraska President Ronald Roskens has urged the use of seat belts by all personnel driving or riding in a vehicle on University business.

Roskens cited Gov. Kerrey's executive order requiring state agencies to develop and implement policies regarding the use of seat belts while on state business.

In a memo, Roskens said that notices for the use of seat belts would be placed in all University vehicles, and motor pool staff on all campuses "will be instructed to remind you to use seat belts at all times."

### Orientation-leader deadline

Today is the application deadline for students interested in becoming Orientation leaders for the 1985 Summer orientation Program.

Orientation leaders work with freshman and transfer students, assisting with registration and guided tours of the UNO campus.

Applications and more information are available at the Orientation Office, Room 115, E-play Administration Building.

### Food drive continues

The Student Home Economic Association's

food drive will run through April 5th. Donations will go to the Omaha Food Bank.

Non-perishable food items may be dropped off at Arts and Sciences Hall 108 or the six-sided desk on the lower level of the Student Center between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

### Graduate insurance plans

The Graduate Student Association is holding a meeting for all students interested in alternate plans for graduate-student health insurance. The meeting will be Friday, April 5, at the Dundee Dell, 50th and Dodge Streets. Call 554-2711 for more info.

### New hospital board member

Former Nebraska state senator and county commissioner P. J. Morgan has been appointed to the Board of Governors of the University of Nebraska Hospital and Clinic and Nebraska Psychiatric Institute.

Morgan, who is president of P. J. Morgan Co., an Omaha real-estate and investment firm, replaces Robert Armstrong, who recently resigned from the board. Morgan's term runs through April 30, 1987.

### Staff bake sale

The Staff Advisory Council is having a bake

sale to raise money for the purchase of an Employee of the Month display board.

The sale will take place on April 8, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the second floor of the Student Center.

### Cosmic individuals

The Mueller Planetarium in Lincoln is offering a multi-media exhibition titled "Child of the Universe."

Written and directed by Jack F. Horkheimer at the Miami Space Transit Planetarium, the program deals with the significance of the individual when confronted with the infinity of the cosmos.

The program is presented on Saturdays at 2:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2:30 and 3:45 p.m. The show lasts 40 minutes, and there is a nominal admission charge.

Ralph Mueller Planetarium is located on the University of Nebraska City Campus at 14th and U Streets in Morrill Hall. For further information call 1-472-2641.

### Get your ACTS together

Entries must be postmarked by April 15 for the fourth annual American Collegiate Talent Showcase.

ACTS is a national competition for college students who want to pursue a career in the entertainment industry. Cash prizes, showcases, auditions and overseas tours are awarded. Categories include music, drama, dance, variety, and songwriting.

Students should submit entries on an audio or video cassette not more than five minutes in length, and should include a black and white photo.

For additional information and official entry form contact ACTS, Box 3ACT, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, 88003, or call (505) 646-4413.

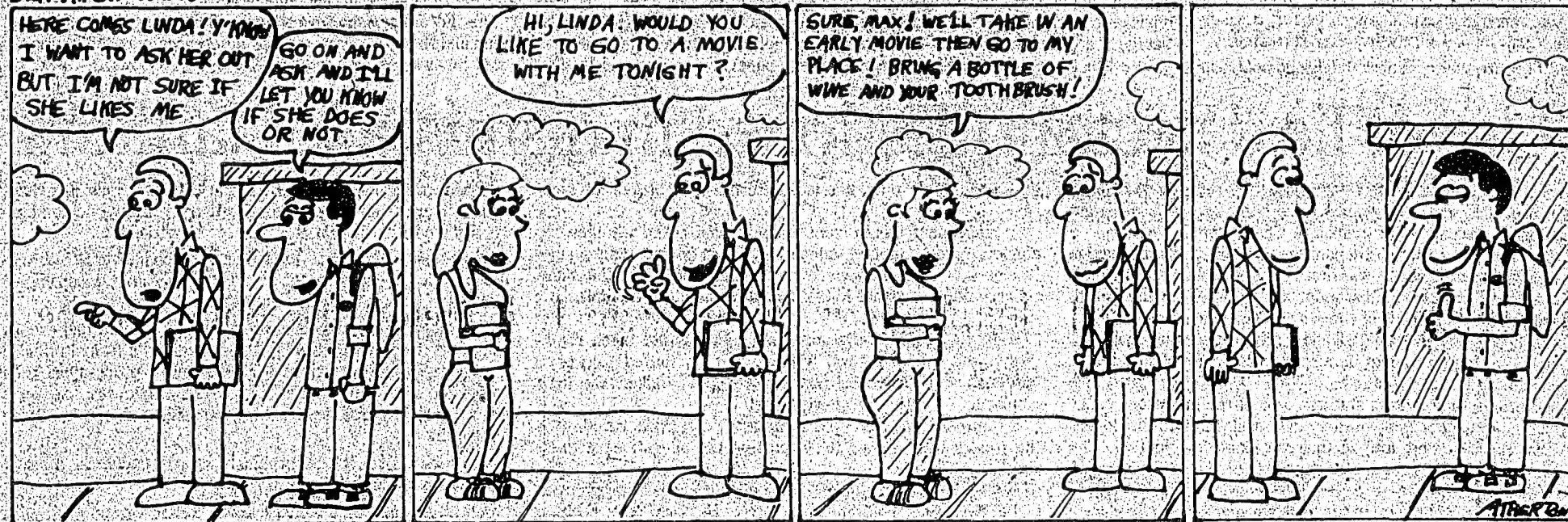
### Abuse prevention

The Omaha Area Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse is offering its Chemical Prevention Course to the general public starting April 3.

The six-week course teaches parents about alcoholism and chemical dependency and how to prevent alcohol or drug abuse by teenagers.

Classes will be held at the Papillion Multi-Service Center, 117 North Jefferson in Papillion from 7 to 9:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. The cost is \$50. To pre-register, call 345-4080.

## Big Max On Campus





# Poet Madeline DeFrees' work explores the inner self

By PATTI DALE

"A lot of writers are turning their liabilities into assets. In other words, they're compensating for something else they don't have."

Poet Madeline DeFrees shared her views on writing in an interview at UNO March 20. DeFrees was on campus to meet with poets from the Writer's Workshop and give a reading from her work, *Imaginary Ancestors*.

She said a lot of people who have a great deal of verbal skill quit after a while because they don't really need to write.

"There's something about a writer that makes him not fit in. Richard Hugo felt socially awkward so he learned to play softball and write poems. In order to write you have to spend a lot of time alone, so if you can't do that, you probably won't be able to make it."

Art Homer, chairman of UNO's Writer's Workshop, said DeFrees juxtaposes concrete images with abstract ideas. He said she is one of the few poets whose work is exciting and also very intellectual.

He said a number of young women writers credit DeFrees with being a major influence on their work, especially as a teacher.

DeFrees has taught English, literature, and journalism as well as creative writing.

"She handles language very well," Homer said. "Her knowl-

edge of English, syntax and poetics are demonstrated in her work."

DeFrees said for many years her poems came from ideas, but in the last 10 years she has been writing from language. "The thing is much less pre-set as to content or form," she said. "You're open to the random and accidental all along the way because association is such you never know where it will lead or the connections you will make with things."

According to DeFrees, it is important for a poet to write every day. "Over the long haul there will be dividends like in any physical activity where you put in the training," she said.

A compulsive notebook keeper, DeFrees said she always has several things going at the same time.

She keeps a journal to clear the air emotionally. If putting it down in prose doesn't relieve the intensity of her feelings, DeFrees said she knows the subject belongs at the heart of a poem.

When agreeing to give an interview, DeFrees said she wanted to talk about poetry and not her past as Sister Mary Gilbert.

At the age of 16, DeFrees entered the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary. For more than 20 years she taught in schools of the order. In 1967, while still a member of the

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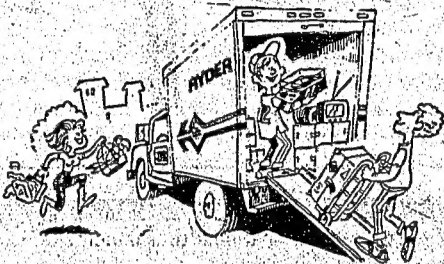


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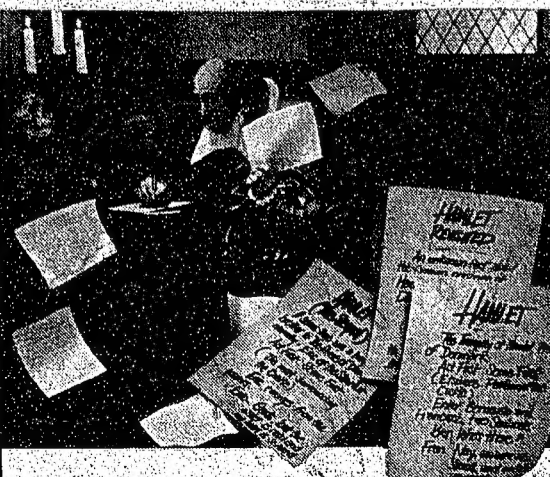
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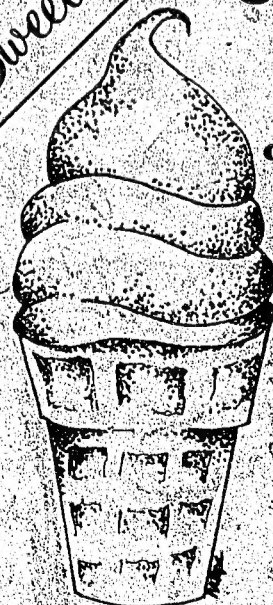
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## A right and a duty

Another spring break has come and gone. Now it's back to studies and jobs. Yesterday, along with our usual obligations came another: voting.

Whenever any election draws near, I can never resist asking people I know if they plan to vote, and I always marvel at the number who don't.

The excuses run the gamut: "I don't like any of the candidates"; "I don't know enough about the candidates and their positions"; "I'm not registered to vote"; or "I just don't have time."

Some folks I know seem to revel in portraying themselves as jaded, disillusioned non-voters.

And someone once even told me (with a straight face) that, because his family was voting for Candidate X, his vote for Candidate Y would be cancelled out. Thus, according to his "logic," he did not vote.

I have yet to hear a valid reason why any U.S. citizen of sound mind and body should not vote.

If you don't like any of the candidates, write someone in; or run for the office yourself. At least by doing so you haven't relinquished your right to be heard.

Don't have time to vote? Then *make* the time. Polling places were open yesterday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

If you are not informed enough about the candidates and/or the issues, you have only yourself to blame. *Get informed.* Read every election-related news item you can find. If that isn't enough, visit the candidates' campaign headquarters.

And don't be fooled by cynics who think it impressive or fashionable to claim that voting is useless. If you don't vote you really don't count.

The municipal general election is May 14. Vote. Millions of people around the world wish they had that opportunity.

JOHN MALNACK II



## Neurotica By Karen Nelson

## Spring-break shock

After a week of spring break, I'm still suffering from culture shock. I mean, it's been so long since I've been out in the real world that I'm not sure how to act in public any more.

For example, what does a confirmed non-cosmetic wearer do when she goes past the make-up counter in a department store and is grabbed by a Boy George clone? "Daarrrling, with a little blusher and some drop-dead eyeshadow, I can do wonders," she (yes, it was indeed a she) purred into my ear. I knew how to avoid such people once, but I forgot.

That mistress of guerrilla etiquette, Miss Manners, may have known what to do, but since she wasn't there to help, I was pushed into a chair and assaulted with mascara wands, make-up brushes and multi-hued goop. "Just hold still, darling," Girl Georgette said. "Before you know it, your boyfriend will be admiring the new you."

"But I don't have a boyfriend," I protested weakly. "Whatever, darling," she said, smearing some green glittery slime on my eyelids. "Match this with some purple mascara and day-glo pink lipstick, and heads will turn!"

No kidding. After another half hour of powders, paints and other assorted instruments of torture, the ordeal was over. "How do you love it?" demanded Girl Georgette, holding up a mirror.

I looked at the strange face in the mirror. Hard to believe, but that was me looking back. "Could you direct me to the restroom?" I asked. "I suddenly have this urge to go wash my face."

That was Monday. Tuesday was no better. I ran into some people I haven't seen for years, and we went to lunch. About halfway through the taco salad, I asked Miriam, "How many pages do we have this deadline?"

Miriam looked at me strangely. "Huh?" "So are we going 12 or eight?" I said. "I don't have the faintest idea what you're talking about, do you, Pete?" said Miriam.

Pete put down his coffee cup. "I think she's asking if you plan to have eight or 12 pages in this issue," he said. "Karen, dear, this isn't a deadline day. You're on spring break. You don't have to edit copy today."

"I don't," I said. "No, dear, you don't," said Pete. "Just think, you have a whole week where you don't have to write a thing. Aren't you lucky?" "You mean I don't have to write a column today?" I asked. "What — what do I do then?"

"Well, you can sit here and talk to us," said Miriam. "Let's see, now. What have you been reading lately?"

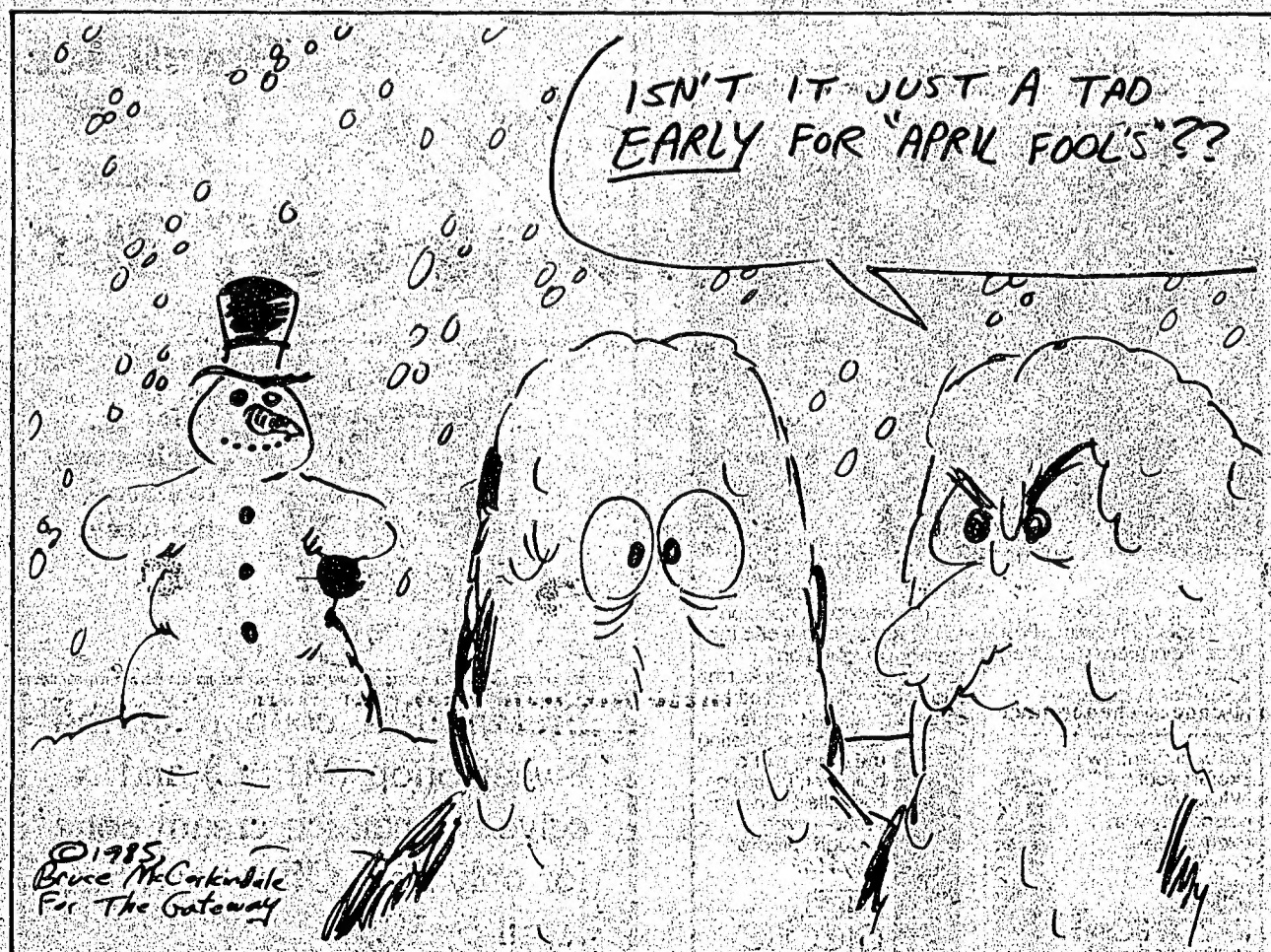
"Oh, I've been looking through the stylebook a lot lately," I said. "You know, there are some things that I have trouble keeping straight. 'Affect' and 'effect,' for example. Sometimes the meanings seem to be so close, but there are really some subtle differences..."

Miriam and Pete exchanged glances. "Um, Karen, this taco salad is great, don't you agree?" she said. "Wednesday was just a blur."

By Thursday, I knew the week off wasn't helping. Since there was no copy to edit and no column to write, I felt lost. Nothing seemed to work—not sleeping in, not going out and partying, not burying myself in the library and reading, nothing.

After a shopping trip for new clothes that ended with me buying a year's supply of copy paper, it finally hit me. I couldn't face the real world any more. I needed a vacation from my vacation.

There was only one thing left for me to do. "Only a few more days left until the next deadline," I said to myself. "No more getting to bed early, no idle moments, no more peace and quiet. I can hardly wait!"



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## Op Ed -

# 'You pays your money and you takes your choice'

When I was a young boy, during those years when some campuses were more conducive to Mario Savio than to Michel de Montaigne, my mother was rather fond of trying to pound into the thick skull of her elder son the idea that one cannot shift responsibility for one's own action onto the shoulders of a third party. Unless, of course, one plans to make a career of mechanical politicking. It was a maternal translation of Huxley's Law: You pays your money and you takes your choice.

Indeed, such was the lot of Moses, when he struck twice the rock to which he was instructed to speak, the better to produce cool water, which is why 'twas Joshua who in due course brought the house down at Jericho. Moses, of course, did not whimper upon receiving the Verdict. He did as he did, he knew what he did, and that was that.

At the present time, it seems the courts in seven states of the Republic will be hearing the question of whether or not a tobacco company may be held liable in the event a person who smoked its brand(s) contracts cancer, or some other related disease. Given the contemporary disposition — part of which is, eight out of 10 times it is someone else's fault that one is in this or that predicament — the question ought not to surprise anyone. The verdict will depend upon right-thinking juries and sagacious judges hearing these cases, assuming they can do so with straight faces. I know to myself what the verdict ought to be, but I know as well the unimpeachable truth of Berra's Law: It ain't over until it's over. Small comfort, but sound philosophy.

I'm not swinging listlessly at an outside curve, inasmuch as I am myself a cigarette smoker. But I am too sensible (I hope) to succumb to the temptation of farce and place they who make my cigarettes on notice that, should I ever contract illness due to my vice, I intend to hit them sharply in the moneybelt for

compensation of my folly. Why not? Because it was not the cigarette maker's idea that I ought to poke a cigarette between my lips every so often (my particular brand has not been advertised for years).

Rest assured, however, that I am in no long term danger; if I read the facts and figures as they are, it is possible that it would require a lifespan of one hundred years going from this very moment, before my weekly consumption would trigger internal disease. No brag. Point: it is in my hands.

So far as I can deduce, there are but two possible grounds upon which such a suit against a tobacco company may be founded. One: the fact that they make the bloody things in the first place, though they surely know the dangers, given the sentence printed on the side of each pack and carton consumed throughout the Republic; plus the periodic exposé on the *Evening News*. A person could say the same thing (almost) about Jack Daniels, in the event the survivors of one who guzzles the sour mash see fit to haul J.D. before the bar to demand retribution. Since they've been writing laws designed to blame the bartender for the consequences of a drunk's behavior away from the tavern, bet not against such suits being filed.

Two: the old demon Advertising, which — to be true — is regarded by many citizens to be the Eighth Deadly Sin. Two decades ago, Professor John Kenneth Galbraith, amidst his demonstration of how to become a famous economist without once practicing the proper economic art, published a book which charged (among other things) that one of the Major Problems facing America was the horrifying power Madison Avenue held over the will of innocent dupes. Two decades later, the suggestion remains a classic secretion of tommyrot (said tome has been revised once again), for the only crime of which Madison

Avenue can be found guilty is contributing to the delinquency of good taste. No amount of attempted seduction will sway a consumer's mind once it is made up, or else they would be buying more Pepsi while they are loving more Coca-Cola advertisements. Or is that vice versa?

A short time ago, Mr. John Banzhaf, a non-smoker, debated Dr. Ernest van den Haag of Fordham University, a smoker, regarding the issue of smoker's rights. Mr. Banzhof led off with a two-minute declaration, following which Dr. van den Haag calmly lit up a cigar. After thundering as to how his opponent was breaking the law — blissfully unaware that Dr. van den Haag received assurance that he would *not* be in violation of a District of Columbia ordinance — Mr. Banzhof picked up a coffee mug full of water provided him by the CBS people and threw it at Dr. van den Haag. Aside from being a true violation of the law (unless, of course, they have legalized assault in the nation's capital), Mr. Banzhof simply proved what Dr. van den Haag sought to illustrate, namely: the peripatetic side of the zealot claiming only to save our lives by due process.

I believe a smoker ought to respect the non-smoker; I never light up, for example, in my mother's home, because she is a chronic asthmatic and the smoke does affect her. But it is fair to suggest a good number of the non-smoking cartel have become peripatetic in their mania, whether throwing water at a cigar smoker on national television or trying to sue cigarette makers over matters, really, of free will and responsibility. Are they doing us a service by trying to usurp individual responsibility for individual behavior? You pays your money and you takes your choice.

Just ask Moses.

—JEFFREY A. KALLMAN

## Poor health habits could make 'Frankenstein' a reality

Modern man is throwing himself away a piece at a time. Transplants and artificial replacements put us in danger of disposing of ourselves in the future as easily as we now drop used tissues in the trash.

Americans are particularly susceptible to the idea of disposability. Since we dispose of beer bottles, bread wrappers, baby diapers and even spouses at such high rates, it takes little mental transition to become comfortable with the idea of pulling out pieces of ourselves and inserting comparable ones. The practice itself has merit, but the extent to which we as a society will go to indulge in it must be weighed carefully.

Recently, a baby with a congenital heart defect was given a transplant of a baboon heart in an unsuccessful attempt to save her life. The tragedy of a newborn infant struggling for life may figuratively tug at our hearts, but the physical yanking of a healthy animal's heart from its breast typifies modern man's disregard for his surroundings.

Tearing apart living things may be justified by human need to survive, but ghoulis destruction of life with little or no promise of survival for the infant or imminent benefit to others constitutes butchery. As with pollution of ground water and air for profit, it exemplifies short-sightedness.

Besides tampering with live specimens, the last several months have been filled with news about man's mechanical mastery over death. Barney Clark and William Shroeder, recipients of artificial hearts, became media spectacles as they posed for pictures, prisoners of the bulky, noisy machines that pushed blood through their bodies in place of the worn-out equipment they were born with.

The central mistake of both transplants and artificial replacements is our impression that more is somehow better. For some reason Americans have come to regard increases in quantity as acceptable substitutes for diminished quality.

David Letterman tells a joke about a cook

who burned his french fries, so the cook offered to give Letterman some extra burned french fries. This illustrates a good point. Once damage is done, it is often irreversible. Piling on more bad living to life does not make it good living. Americans have focused on compensating through addition of things rather than the correction of problems.

The quality of life that justifies the continuation of life should be an individual choice. However, we should realize that placing emphasis on life extension instead of life improvement leads us to longer lives of lower quality. Despite the rates of cancer and heart disease in this country, we continue to eat fast food and smoke cigarettes.

Unless people develop more respect for the ecology of the human body, we will perpetuate the attitude of disposability and race faster toward the alienation of the parts from the whole.

When Mary Shelley wrote *Frankenstein*, she had Viktor Frankenstein create his monster

from spare parts so well that it was virtually immortal. It was superintelligent and very sensitive. The creature lived in misery as a freak that could neither be accepted and loved nor killed and relieved of its anguish and loneliness. Man is approaching fulfillment of Shelley's (presumably) unintended prophecy. If we don't succeed in making ourselves immortal, we certainly strive to bring about something close. With greater strides in medicine coming more rapidly all the time, we isolate ourselves from the natural ecology.

We need to treat ourselves better, not longer. With the exception of congenital problems, we should see the need for replacement parts as failed personal maintenance.

If Americans continue to demand that scientists act as janitors to clean up the wretched messes we make of our bodies, we can ultimately expect a sort of immortality in misery. Should we reach that point, Mary Shelley will have been a prophet.

—J. FRANK AULT

## Letters

### To the Editor:

I would like to comment on the article "Ture's message unchanged — capitalism must fall" of March 20, 1985.

For Ture to attempt to discredit capitalism, he must first close his eyes to the past 209 years of history, in which America has enjoyed unparalleled prosperity under a capitalistic system. And it is to ignore the causes and the reality of many of the world's problems today.

Does Ture fully understand what communism, scientific socialism or any variant thereof means? Any political or economic system which rewards the incompetent at the expense of the competent, any system that sacrifices its best to the needs of its worst, indeed, any system that holds the need of some men as a guillotine at the throats of other men, or encourages the evil and penalizes ability, is the essence of what is wrong with this world. Socialism-communism is what is wrong with this world.

Before the eighteenth century the only political-economic system the world had known was socialism, communism, collectivism or statism. The names changed, but the fundamentals always remained the same: the sacrifice of some men to the needs of other men, whether implicitly, explicitly, in part or whole.

What is responsible for the problems facing the world today? Is it capitalism, which upholds man's right to his own life and property, making

possible the great bounty of wealth and prosperity which America now enjoys? Or is it socialism-communism, which always has and always will lead to the miserable subhuman misery which we now see in Russia, Africa and the third world today?

Kuame Ture, open your eyes and look around; capitalism feeds the world, communism can't even feed itself.

David Blazek

### To all students:

I challenge all students to donate to the Forensic Team. I am contributing \$10 and I am asking all students to match or exceed my gift.

Sen. Michael A. Gaebel

Editor's note: During its March 21 meeting, the Student Senate unanimously voted to no longer fund forensic tournaments from Fund A. According to a memo from Speaker Pete Adler sent to Forensics Director Duane Aschenbrenner on March 22, "In the future, tournaments should be funded from other sources, both from UNO and the Omaha community."

The Senate did allocate \$2,084 from Fund A Contingency to the forensics team to participate in the American Forensics Association National Tournament April 12-15.

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# Madeline DeFrees . . .

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order, DeFrees began teaching at the University of Montana. She remained there on leave until 1973 when she received a dispensation from her religious vows.

DeFrees is spending her last year of teaching at the University of Massachusetts, where she directed the Master of Fine Arts program in creative writing from 1980 through 1983.

In conversation DeFrees speaks often and freely about her life in the convent. Autobiographical experiences and religious images figure prominently in her work.

DeFrees said she is eager to retire from teaching and have the big blocks of time she needs to do a full-length fiction.

DeFrees has published two books of prose. Written early in her career, DeFrees said they are an embarrassment to her now. "But they were the best I could do at the time," she said, pausing before she added, "maybe because I had to clear everything with the censors."

"I feel the possibility of doing something more honest now. Not that those books weren't honest, but they were partial truths. I want to come as close to the whole truth as I know it."

DeFrees said she thinks she has been out of the religious structure long enough to make it comprehensible to people who haven't experienced it. She sees strong parallels between her

struggle to become an independent person and what is happening in the lives of many women today.

"I think my need to write started in that I was aware of this split — a surface conformity in the home and family and an independent interior life where I thought for myself."

Going into the convent widened the split, DeFrees said, because it called for her to weed out a lot of things other people found unacceptable, a pruning she eventually could not reconcile with the inner person.

Especially difficult for DeFrees were the constrictions on her poetry, and the view of her superiors that such writing was a distraction from one's service to God.

"In many ways I guess I was pretty lucky," DeFrees said. "I just took each step as it came up. I realized very early if I ran away from all the things I was sacred of I would never stop running."

Homer said young writers who want quick recognition should look at DeFrees and see the progress she's made through dedication to her work.

"I was always a poet," DeFrees said. "That was sort of my identity, what made me special. Then I entered the convent and all the other novices were writing poetry, too. I looked around and I thought, yeah, but you'll stop writing and I won't."

Madeline DeFrees describes herself as, "Somebody who wants to stay alive until I'm in the casket and maybe longer."

## Comedy 'stale' in 'Key for Two'

The food was tasty but the show stale in the Firehouse's new production, "Key for Two."

British comedies fall into two categories: bizarre and off-the-wall or cliched sex parodies. Initially, "Key for Two" purports to be the latter. Harriet keeps a very nice flat in Brighton by being kept. Of course, stodgy Gordon doesn't know beleaguered Alec is also paying the bills, and Alec doesn't know Gordon is sharing the frills.

Harriet has managed for two years to schedule her lovers so they remain ignorant of each other's existence. In the current economic crunch she just can't make it financially with only one benefactor.

The question arises: What will happen when Gordon and Alec meet? It has to happen sooner or later. Will the clever heroine be kicked out on her bum and have to scrounge for a living like the poor working class? Too cruel a fate. She enlists her friend Anne in a complicated scheme, and the two lie, lie, lie.

The story was funny 20 years ago. Although "Key for Two" is not by any means predictable, it is terribly familiar.

In the second act, evidently concerned about how ridiculous the whole setup was, the writers decided to make it absolutely insane. Adding ditz characters always speeds the action up. So Anne's husband shows up — drunk, lusting after Harriet and talking to imaginary sheep. Gordon's wife, and then Alec's, drop in; more lies, a morass of stupidity.

However, the audience should be satisfied because the play does have a happy ending. Harriet gets to keep her nice little flat. Gordon and Alec will still have their days, their wives get to keep on wearing those horrible English clothes and . . . well, the food was pretty good. Take home a souvenir glass.

John Foley's performance as the drunken veterinarian was original and funny.

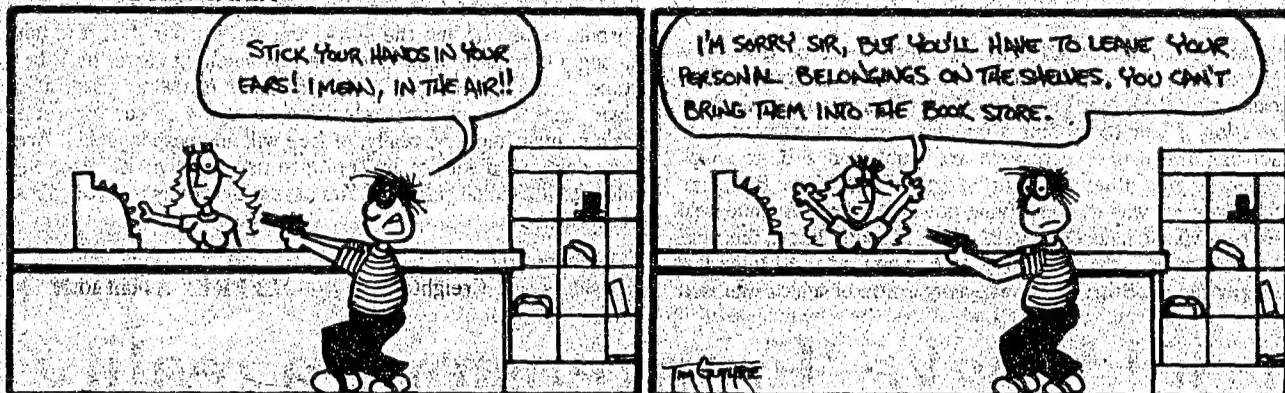
Michael T. McGraw was an understandably dispirited Alec. Peggy Friesen as Anne was the most believable person in the play.

Duke Howze as Gordon and Patricia Kies as Harriet worked at every line they delivered. The jokes were simply too old to cause much more than a smattering of laughter from the audience.

"Key for Two" is not awful, but most people would rather eat at Harrigan's and go to a movie.

—PATTI DALE

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# Sports

## Lady Mavs battle back from shaky openers

By MIKE JONES

The UNO Lady Mav softball team has been on the road since March 22, and the 14-member team has played 17 games since the 1985 season opened March 20.

During a 10-day span ending on the 30th, the Lady Mavs turned in a trio of double-headers and three triple-game tournament dates. The team closed out the first month of spring with a second place finish in the North Central Conference Spring Tournament. Played in Vermillion, S.D., the tournament saw the Lady Mavs shrug off some early season setbacks and forge a 4-1 record to boost their season record to 8-9.

The Lady Mav season started on the first day of spring with crosstown rival Creighton University. The Lady Jays used their earlier start to lay it on the Lady Mavs, winning both ends of the double-header, 5-0, 5-0. According to Coach Chris Miner, UNO had a problem getting their bats started early in the contest. Creighton had no problem shelling a shaky UNO lineup with a flurry of hits. Miner said that the Lady Mavs made a lot of defensive shifts which may have affected their overall play.

Sheila Cech and Deb Hensley were marked with the losses in their season-opening debuts. The pair of shutouts also saw the UNO team limited to only five hits.

After the 0-2 season start, the team boarded vans on Thursday and headed to Pittsburgh, Kan. for a two-day tournament. The Lady Mavs unlimbered from the six-hour drive by pounding out a series of wins over Luther College, Wayne State and Southwestern Baptist on Friday's opening day of tournament play.

Jenny Pullen made her first start of the year a victorious pitching debut by holding Luther to a shutout. UNO won over Luther 1-0. Cech picked up her first win in the 2-1 second game win over Wayne State, and Hensley got her first win to close out the three-win day with a 1-0 shutout of Southwestern Baptist.

The road mileage caught up with the Lady Mavs on the second day of the tournament as they dropped all three of their Saturday contests. Host Pittsburgh slid by UNO with a 1-0 win as Cech's pitching record slipped to 1-2. The Lady Mavs had registered six base hits in the game, but were unable to capitalize on their chances.



Swing shift... Staci Cook swings into the season opener with a hit against Creighton. The Lady Mavs were unsuccessful in their season debut, losing a pair of shutouts to the Lady Jays March 20.

In the second game, Pullen gave up two runs as UNO lost to area rival Northwest Missouri State. The Bearcats were able to stifle a pair of doubles by Lady Mavs Jackie Beedle and Deb Gildersleeve to preserve a 2-0 win. The final game of the tournament went to Washburn College. The Kansas school picked on Hensley's pitching for a 3-1 victory. The second day losses dropped the Lady Mavs to 3-5 on the season.

After Pittsburgh, the team reloaded the vans and aimed further south to a pair of double-headers against Oklahoma City University and Central State of Oklahoma. Oklahoma shelled the Lady Mavs for 10 runs in two games to record 5-0, 5-0 shutouts. Cech and Pullen shared the pitching losses against the Division I school.

Central State extended the UNO loss string to six with a 2-0 shutout in the first game. The loss pushed Cech's record to 1-3, her fourth game in only five days. The Lady Mavs got back on the winning path in the second game with a 1-0 margin over the hosts. Hensley picked up the win. After the Central State game UNO loaded up again and passed back through Omaha en route to the Vermillion tournament.

In Vermillion, the Lady Mav bats finally came alive as they pounded out wins over North Dakota State, South Dakota State, North Dakota and Mankato State. UNO cleaned up on the Dakota schools, winning 7-0 over NDSU, 10-0 over SDSU and 11-2 over UND. The Lady Mavs downed Mankato 5-3 on Friday, but came up one run short in the Saturday rematch, losing 4-3.

Miner was pleased with her team's development in the opening month of the season. "I think our team is getting stronger and stronger," Miner said. "I know we have the top three pitchers in the conference. Sheila Cech is the top pitcher in the conference. Sheila Cech is the top pitcher in the conference without a doubt."

UNO was held to six runs in their first twelve games, allowing their opponents 26. Those 26 points are misleading when one considers that Creighton and Oklahoma City account for 20 of those runs.

In the five games at Vermillion, the Lady Mavs rapped in 36 runs and held their opponents to nine. Miner felt the team is starting to pull together after its shaky start.

"I think my team is getting stronger and stronger with each game," she said. "I think we're the best team in the conference. We're pounding everyone."

## Buda set to stay as spring football drills get under way

Sandy Buda is set to stay, and UNO football fortunes have been bolstered by other coaching changes.

Although Buda was passed over in the recent Tulsa University search for a new head football coach, that shouldn't count as a setback in his career. The Omaha native did not actively pursue the position and said he is happy with his Omaha job.

North Central Conference coaching rival Don Morton of North Dakota State earned the job over Buda and seven other



Buda

candidates. Buda will now be able to turn his full attention on the spring football season which began Monday. There will be two additions to the Buda coaching staff this spring. Mike Garrison, a former Maverick running back, has been hired as a full-time assistant.

Garrison, who last played for the Mavericks in 1981, will not begin his full-time duties until July 1, when he will also assume a full-time position in the athletics business office. Garrison will be in charge of the offensive backfield.

Joining the Maverick staff will be former Fort Hays State head coach Bobby Thompson. He has not yet been assigned coaching duties, but he will be taking over the athletics business office, a position formerly held by Maverick offensive coordinator Chuck Osberg.

Thompson comes to UNO after stints at Fort Hays State, Idaho University, West Texas State, Oklahoma State and Kansas State. The native of Oklahoma also served one season as director of athletics at the University of South Dakota.

"I don't see how we could ask for a more qualified person," UNO athletic director Don Leahy said. "His expertise in athletic administration will be a definite asset to our program as a whole."

Spring football drills opened with Buda facing a rebuilding season. The Mavericks will return 26 lettermen from a tryout squad of 94 hopefuls. Much of the spring will probably be spent trying to find a suitable successor to multi-school quarterback record holder Randy Naran.

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# Confident baseball squad returns from southern tour

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Not even a late-March snow storm could dampen the spirits of UNO's baseball team as it returned to Omaha after its spring break road trip to Texas. UNO won four of six games against three Division II teams that were rated in the top 20 in the preseason.

"We're very pleased," UNO Coach Bob Gates said. UNO won two of three games with No. 14 Stephen F. Austin. It beat North Central Conference rival South Dakota State, No. 20, once, and split a double hitter with No. 16 Sam Houston State.

UNO, which swept a double hitter with Peru State prior to the break, has four double hitters scheduled this week, beginning with a double hitter at Creighton Tuesday. Today UNO meets Wayne State at CWS Park, weather permitting. The 10-2 Mavericks then meet NCC foe Augustana in home and away games Thursday and Friday. All games are scheduled for 1:30 p.m. starts. The Mavs want to play.

"We're a better ball club than we were last year," Gates said of the team that finished 19-14. "This is the best team we've had in the four years I've been at UNO," senior co-captain Ed Dineen added.

Gates said UNO's added year's experience has given the team confidence. He also said the nice weather early in March allowed the team to practice outside.

Earlier in the season, Gates had his players stealing bases but game situations did not dictate base-stealing in Texas. Yet UNO continued to play aggressively, Gates said.

"We weren't striking out," he said. As a result, Gates said he had his players hitting and running. UNO base runners also challenged the fielders' throwing arms. "We did try stretching a lot of hits," he added.

UNO used various bunts to advance base runners and get hits. UNO squeezed home runners twice. And, for the most part, Mavs continued hitting.

"The way this team is, is if one guy gets a hit, everybody catches on," Dineen said. "We can score four or five runs at a clip." UNO has had many big innings this spring.

In game one, at Nacogdoches, March 25, UNO scored four runs in both the third and fourth innings then added three in the ninth in drubbing Austin, 11-1. Sophomore right hander Mike Grandgenett pitched a three-hitter.

"He looked real good," Dineen said. "He was mixing up his pitches real well." Gates said Grandgenett, now 2-0, "kept the ball low."

Ed Dineen paced the 13-hit attack with a two-run homer. Pat Gibbons added two doubles.

In the second game, UNO out-hit Austin nine to seven but left 14 runners on base and lost its first game, 6-2.

"We just didn't play well," Dineen said. "We just couldn't

come through with the clutch base hit." He homered and Greg Munchraft and Joe Hendricks each doubled. Jerry Mohr, 1-1, took the loss.

The next day, UNO beat South Dakota State and Austin by 6-4 scores as UNO relievers Gibbons and Ed Dineen starred. "They really pitched great," Gates said. "If we hadn't had those guys, we'd have lost both games."

Against the Coyotes, Jim Palensky homered and Dineen and Gibbons each doubled as UNO had eight hits. But the hitting star was catcher Jim Waters with a single, double and three runs batted in.

Waters two-run first-inning single keyed UNO's first inning three-run outburst to beat Austin. Gibbons' double knocked in a run in the second inning as UNO had 10 hits.

March 28, Sam Houston State's James Hillan shackled UNO on three hits in Huntsville in a 7-1 victory. Bill Lynam homered for UNO's lone run as Barry Park, 0-1, took the loss.

"Sam Houston is a good ball club," Gates said. "They beat Minnesota (of the Big 10) twice and split with No. 11 (Division I) Houston."

State has an 11-10 record with Division I schools. "They were expecting to beat us," Gates added.

But UNO pounded out 16 hits to defeat SHS in a 14-12 slugfest in the second game. Dick Dineen's double was UNO's only extra-base hit.

"The Dineen kids really played well," Gates said. "They drove in seven runs." Each had four hits.

Jerry Mohr, 2-1, sparked in relief, pitching four and two-thirds innings of one-hit ball for the win.

Gates said these victories were important for UNO. He said the NCAA post season selection committee picks four teams from each region to the playoffs and UNO's record against Division II opponents is 4-2 compared to State's 1-1. In 1984, UNO lost two games each to Stephen Austin and Sam Houston State.

In Omaha, March 20, UNO beat Peru State, 10-0, behind the freshman pitching of Rich Longuil and Mike Mercer. Longuil and Ed Dineen had two-run singles and four-run singles in the first as UNO had 10 hits.

In the second game, UNO scored 10 runs on four hits in the bottom of the first to wipe away Peru's one-run lead. Grandgenett's two-run single and Palensky's bases-loaded triple led the way as UNO went on to win 12-6. Pitchers Mike Jones, Park, and Chris Frye combined for the win.

## Sport Notes

### Women's Basketball

Cherri Mankenberg was inducted into the Iowa Girls' Basketball Hall of Fame during the annual tournament. Mankenberg, who played for West Monona High School during the mid-'60s, was inducted during halftime ceremonies before 16,000 fans.

Senior Ronda Motykowski was selected to the 1985 All-North Central Conference Women's Basketball Team. The 6-1 senior was the only member selected. The Lady Mav squad broke three NCC records during the past season in free throws made, rebounds and assists.

### Volleyball

Susie Homan, coach at Northwest Missouri State, has resigned to take over as the Lady Mavs assistant volleyball coach. Homan is rejoining the Lady Mav program after three years as the Bearcat head coach. Homan served as a UNO assistant in 1980 and 1981.

Lady Mav Coach Janice Kruger said that the return of Homan would bring a lot of experience and new ideas into the program.

### Wrestling

Maverick Coach Mike Denney was disappointed with the re-

sults of the NCAA Division I National Wrestling Championships held in Oklahoma City, Okla. UNO's three entries, Paul Jones, 177; Mark Weston, 118 and Mark Manning, 155, were all eliminated and failed to place in the three-day tournament.

According to Denney, Weston and Jones lost their first-round matches and had to wait for the second-round wrestle-offs. The pair were eliminated when their first-round opponents lost. Manning won his first-round match, but then dropped a 3-3, 2-2, overtime criterion decision match to Iowa's Jim Heffernan. Denney said many of the fans felt the decision was unfairly given to the Iowa wrestler. Manning won his third-round match before dropping from the tournament with another loss in his fourth match.

Former Maverick wrestling Coach Don Benning was inducted into the Nebraska Scholastic Wrestling Coaches Association Hall of Fame March 16. Benning, who resigned from UNO in 1972, led Omaha to an NAIA national wrestling title in 1970. Mike Denney, the present coach, said Benning was always around to help with the high school coaches who asked and that much of the growth of wrestling in the state of Nebraska could be attributed to Benning.

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